

COMMENTS

Claims 16-55 have been added. Claims 1-55 are now pending in the present application. Applicant has added new Claims 16-55 which recite subject matter previously disclosed but not claimed. Applicant therefore submits that no new matter has been introduced. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(c), Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner to Column 13, Column 14, Column 15, and Column 16, which provide the support in the disclosure for the new claims

Applicant respectfully notes that U.S. Patent No. 5,890,128 has not been assigned. As such, there are no assignees and thus, for the above-identified reissue application, a written consent of all assignees is not required under 37 C.F.R. §1.172.

CONCLUSION

Applicant therefore submits that the present reissue application is in condition for examination on the merits. If any undeveloped issues remain or if any issues require clarification, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicant's attorney in order to resolve such issue promptly.

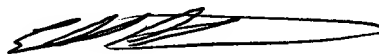
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